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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – February 21, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Sunday, February 21, 2021, DHHS announced 267 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.0%. Today's results include 184 people who tested positive by PCR test and 83 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,940 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

• 2/20: 267 new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are thirty-four individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 52% being female and 48% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (56), Strafford (49), Merrimack (36), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (33), Cheshire (11), Grafton (7), Coos (6), Carroll (4), Belknap (2), and Sullivan (2) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (24) and Nashua (22). The county of residence is being determined for fifteen new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

DHHS has also announced one additional death related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

• 1 female resident of Coos County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 109 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 73,413 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated February 21, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	73,413
Recovered	69,319 (94%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,154 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,940
Current Hospitalizations	109

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	623,046
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	37,421
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL₃	71

Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests									
Testing Laboratory	2/14	2/15	2/16	2/17	2/18	2/19	2/20	Daily Average	
NH Public Health Laboratories	42	36	92	770	779	463	476	380	
LabCorp	494	467	716	647	683	581	306	556	
Quest Diagnostics	566	212	595	635	720	577	632	562	
Mako Medical	136	301	377	29	1	10	283	162	
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	287	267	664	398	448	350	2	345	
NorDX Laboratory	74	58	690	385	668	360	257	356	
Broad Institute	870	2,640	4,846	3,106	3,820	4,613	4,150	3,435	
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	243	378	406	342	741	421	281	402	
Other Laboratory*	283	287	536	256	281	248	215	301	
University of New Hampshire**	54	3,878	3,913	3,636	3,911	3,499	2,407	3,043	
Total	3,049	8,524	12,835	10,204	12,052	11,122	9,009	9,542	
Antibody Laboratory Tests									
Testing Laboratory	2/14	2/15	2/16	2/17	2/18	2/19	2/20	Daily Average	
LabCorp	2	2	31	8	17	13	0	10	
Quest Diagnostics	6	1	25	17	13	17	20	14	
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	1	8	3	7	8	5	0	5	
NorDX Laboratory	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
Other Laboratory*	0	11	9	5	9	15	1	7	
Total	9	22	69	37	47	50	22	37	

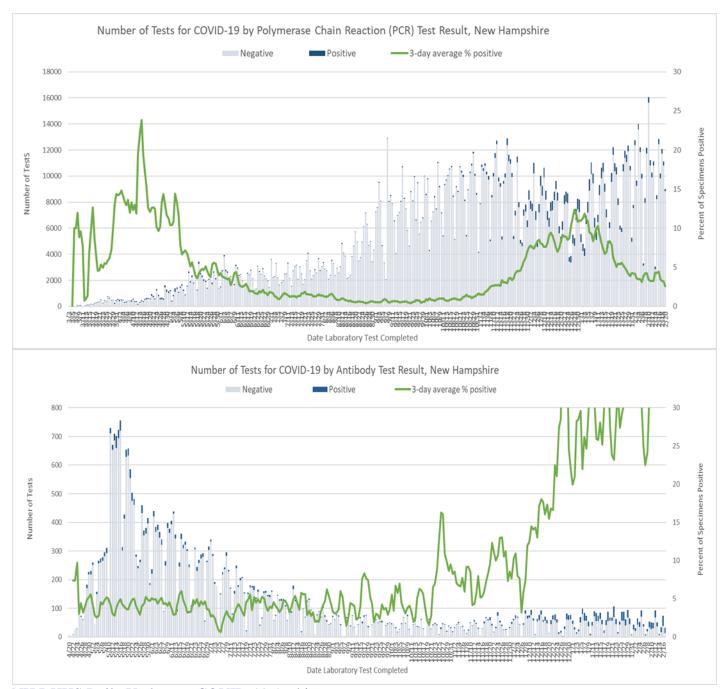
^{*} Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³ Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

^{**} Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at https://www.nh.gov/covid19.

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